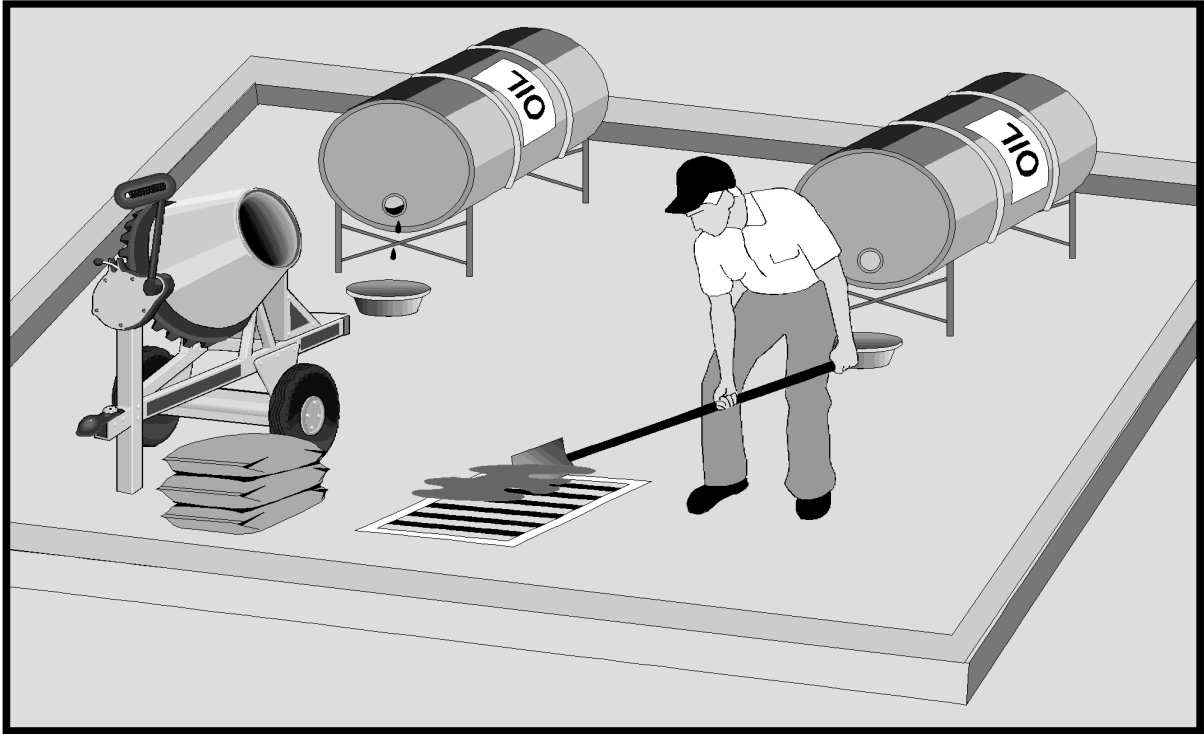


BMP 022 - Permanently Seal Drains Within Critical Areas that Discharge to the Storm Drain



Description of Potential Pollutant and Source: Certain activities may result in spills. The spilled material may flow or be washed into nearby storm drains, receiving waters, or surfaces resulting in exposure to storm water.

Description of BMP: Seal drains within the critical areas that discharge to the storm drain to prevent significant materials from being washed into the storm drain system. Critical areas are those that have a high likelihood to release pollutants, including material handling areas, material storage areas, and equipment repair and maintenance areas.

Application Guidance: This BMP will be applied to storm drain inlets in all critical areas as needed.

Training: N/A

Effectiveness and Cost: This is a highly effective, low-cost BMP.

Limitations: If the area draining to the storm drain inlet is large and the inlet is at a low point, this is not a practical BMP. Under these circumstances implementation of this BMP will result in ponding. In this case, use BMP 023, "Place Portable Rubber Mats over Storm Drain Inlets."